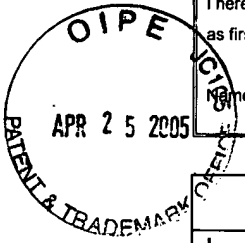


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In re application of: Marwan H. Khater, et al.	Date: April 21, 2005
Serial Number: 10/709,222	Examiner: Joseph H. Nguyen
Filed: April 22, 2004	Group Art Unit: 2815
Title: STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF FORMING A BIPOLAR TRANSISTOR HAVING A SELF-ALIGNED RAISED EXTRINSIC BASE USING A LINK-UP REGION FORMED FROM AN OPENING THEREIN	IBM Corporation D/18G, B/321, Zip 482 2070 Route 52 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated December 21, 2004. This extends the period to respond until April 21, 2005. Please debit the Deposit Account No. 09-0458 of the Assignee, International Business Machines Corporation for \$120.00, the amount of the extension fee.

A duplicate copy of this petition is submitted herewith. If there is a shortage in the amount of the fee, please debit the Deposit Account of the Assignee 09-0458. If there is an overpayment, please credit the same account. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

Respectfully submitted,
Marwan H. Khater, et al.

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